

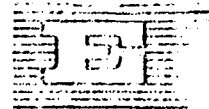
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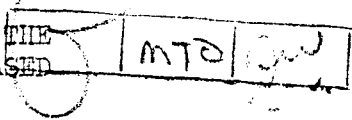


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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENTS ON THE
QUESTIONS ASKED IN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION BASED
ON THE AGENDA OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE
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NETHERLANDS

The only legislative measure taken since December 1949 with regard to freedom of information and of the press is the Press Act of 25 April 1951, repealing the Provisional Press Act (erroneously termed in the previous communication of the Netherlands Government to the Secretary-General: "Press Emergency Act") (Art. 16). This resulted in the discontinuation of the organs charged with the press purge, for the relative titles of the Provisional Press Act were not adopted in this new Act. The Press Council nevertheless will continue its existence.

The new Art. 2 states that certain persons can be disqualified from holding a journalistic or executive non-journalistic position in the newspaper world because of the attitude they adopted during the years of occupation or because they are serving in the army of a foreign state or have entered the service of a foreign state.

Administrative measures other than those required for the execution of this Act, have not been taken.
